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ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH

AND THE

CHIEF SANITARY INSPECTOR

FOR

1949.

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REPORT OF THE MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH

FOR THE YEAR 1949.

To the Chairman and Members of the
Frimley and Camberley Urban District Council.

Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

In accordance with the directions of the Minister of Health, I have pleasure in submitting my Annual Report for 1949.

The community maintained a high standard of health during the year.

There was an epidemic of Measles during the year - 319 cases notified with one death.

The legitimate Birth Rate shows a slight reduction, and the illegitimate Birth Rate a marked reduction.

The total number of Deaths shows a slight decrease and the chief cause of death continues to be 'Heart Disease'. There were no Deaths from Puerperal Causes.

The National Health Service Act, 1946, which has now been in operation for two years, places responsibility for diphtheria immunisation upon the County Council but this Council has agreed to accept delegated powers and I have therefore remained responsible for this work on behalf of the County Medical Officer.

EXTRACTS FROM VITAL STATISTICS FOR THE YEAR 1949.

		Total.	Male.	Female.
Live Births	(Legitimate	346	176	170
	(Illegitimate	11	4	7
Still Births	(Legitimate	5	1	4
	(Illegitimate	-	-	-
Deaths		181	95	86

Deaths from puerperal causes:-	Deaths.	Rate per 1,000 total (Live & Still) births.
(a) Puerperal sepsis	-	-
(b) Other puerperal causes	-	-

Deaths of Infants under one year of age:-

Legitimate	11	6	5
Illegitimate	-	-	-

Death-rate of infants under one year of age:-

All infants per 1,000 live births	30.8
Legitimate infants, per 1,000 legitimate live births	31.8
Illegitimate infants, per 1,000 illegitimate live births	-

Deaths from Measles (all ages)	1
Deaths from Whooping Cough (all ages)	Nil
Deaths from Diarrhoea etc. (under 2 years)	Nil

The other certified causes of death were:-

	Male.	Female.
Tuberculosis of Respiratory System.	2	1
Other forms of Tuberculosis.	-	1
Influenza.	2	1
Measles.	-	1
Cancer (all sites).	15	9
Diabetes.	-	1
Intra-cranial vascular lesions.	11	12
Heart disease.	23	29
Other diseases of circulatory system.	7	5
Bronchitis	4	1
Pneumonia.	4	2
Other respiratory diseases.	1	2
Ulcer of stomach or duodenum.	2	1
Other digestive diseases.	2	4
Nephritis.	3	3
Premature birth.	2	3
Congenital causes.	5	2
Suicide.	1	-
Road traffic accidents.	3	2
All other causes.	8	6

Notifiable Diseases (other than Tuberculosis).

	Total cases notified.	Cases admitted to Hospital.	Total Deaths.
Smallpox.	-	-	-
Scarlet Fever.	22	6	-
Diphtheria.	-	-	-
Enteric Fever, (including paratyphoid).	1	1	-
Dysentery.	1	-	-
Puerperal Fever.	-	-	-
Puerperal Pyrexia.	-	-	-
Pneumonia (all forms).	-	-	6
Erysipelas.	1	-	-
Encephalitis Lethargica.	-	-	-
Poliomyelitis.	3	3	-
Ophthalmia Neonatorum.	1	1	-
Cerebro Spinal Fever.	1	1	-
Measles.	319	3	1
Whooping Cough.	9	1	-

During the year 14 premises have been disinfected, comprising:-
Scarlet Fever:- 3; Enteric Fever:- 1; Tuberculosis:- 6; Cerebro-Spinal Fever:- 1; Others:- 3.

22 lots of clothing and bedding were subjected to steam disinfection during the year.
Disinfection in cases of non-notifiable disease is carried out on request, and the cost re-charged.

ANALYSIS OF TOTAL CASES NOTIFIED DURING YEAR 1949.

Notifiable Disease.	CASES NOTIFIED IN WHOLE DISTRICT. All ages - Years.												Total cases in each locality.					Number of cases removed in each locality.					TOTAL CASES REMOVED TO HOSPITAL.
	All ages	Under 1	1 to 2	2 to 3	3 to 4	4 to 5	5 to 10	10 to 15	15 to 20	20 to 35	35 to 45	45 and over	Camberley	Yorktown	Frimley	Frimley Green and Mytchett	Blackdown	Camberley	Yorktown	Frimley	Frimley Green and Mytchett	Blackdown	
Smallpox	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Scarlet Fever	22	-	-	-	3	1	15	2	1	-	-	-	19	-	-	1	2	5	-	-	-	1	6
Diphtheria	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Enteric Fever (inc. Paratyphoid)	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1
Erysipelas	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Puerperal Fever	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Puerperal Pyrexia	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Pneumonia (All forms)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cerebro Spinal Fever	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1
Ophthalmia Neonatorum	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1	1
Ant. Poliomyelitis	3	-	-	-	1	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	1	-	1	1	-	1	-	1	1	-	3
Measles	319	5	28	44	41	35	144	11	2	7	1	1	191	29	30	33	36	2	-	-	-	1	3
Whooping Cough	9	1	-	1	3	-	4	-	-	-	-	-	8	-	1	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1
Dysentery	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTALS	358	7	28	45	49	36	163	15	3	10	1	1	223	29	32	35	39	11	-	1	1	3	16

Hospital Services.

Since July 5th, 1946, the Council ceased to have any financial liability for maintenance of cases of infectious disease in the Aldershot Civil Isolation Hospital and, consequently, medical practitioners had no obligation to obtain permission of the Council before admission of patients to that Hospital. Close co-operation on this subject between the Medical Officer of Health and general practitioners, however, continues to be maintained and compulsory removal under the Public Health Act, 1936, is unnecessary.

After the National Health Act came into operation, the following hospitals in the area were transferred to the South West Metropolitan Regional Hospital Board, Group No. 8 (Farnham) comprising:

Farnham County Hospital.
Aldershot Hospital.
Frimley and Camberley District Hospital.
Fleet and District Hospital.
Trimmers, Farnham.
Farnborough and Cove Hospital.
Yateley and District Hospital.
Aldershot Maternity Hospital.
Aldershot Civil Isolation Hospital.
Farnham Infectious Disease Hospital.
Heath End Sanatorium, Farnham.

The following representatives from this District serve on the Hospital Management Committee:

Mrs. B.L. Redding, 25, Station Road, Frimley.
Lt. Col. C.G. Astley Cooper, "Abergeldie", Chobham Road, Camberley.

CAMBERLEY AND FRIMLEY DISTRICT NURSING ASSOCIATION.

The following work was carried out during the year ended March 31st. 1950.

Cases. Camberley 365 (Mid. 28. Mat. 3. General 334).
Frimley 205 (Mid. 40. Mat. 4. General 161).
Visits. Camberley 6225. Frimley 3529.

The work of District Nurses shows a considerable increase in all districts during the year under review. The number of Midwifery cases in Frimley District has risen from 16 to 40 during the year, largely due to the fact that the Association is now responsible for domiciliary nursing in Blackdown Barracks.
The total number of visits has risen from 7309 in 1949 to 9754 in present year.

Venereal Disease.

Treatment of venereal disease is given at Clinics attached to the following hospitals:

GUILDFORD: Royal Surrey County Hospital.
Sessions:- Males. Tuesday & Friday: 5 - 7 p.m.
Females. Monday: 2 - 7 p.m.
Thursday: 9.30 - 11 a.m.

WOKING: Woking and District Victoria Hospital.
Sessions:- Males: Thursday: 5 - 7 p.m.
Females. Tuesday: 9.30 - 11 a.m.
Friday: 5 - 7 p.m.

TUBERCULOSIS.

New cases and Mortality during 1949.

Age Periods	New cases				Deaths.			
	Respiratory		Non-Respiratory		Respiratory		Non-Respiratory	
	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
5	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
15	-	4	-	-	-	-	-	-
25	6	3	-	-	-	-	-	-
35	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
45	2	1	-	-	1	1	-	-
55	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
65 and upwards	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	-
Totals	9	10	1	-	2	1	-	1

Note:- New cases include five transfers.
(Four female and one male)

The Register shows that the number of persons resident in the Urban District on December 31st, 1949, suffering from Tuberculosis was 135:-

	Male	Female	Total
Respiratory	64	44	108
Non-respiratory	17	10	27

Tuberculosis Dispensaries.

Tuberculosis Dispensaries are available at the following centres:

FARNHAM: Brightwells, East Street.

1st. 2nd. 4th.& 5th Tuesdays at 10 a.m.

WOKING: Clarence Avenue.

Mondays at 10 a.m.

GUILDFORD: Tower House, Epsom Road.

Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays at 10 a.m.
By Appointment only.

Midwifery.

There are six midwives practising in the District.

Maternity and Child Welfare.

Three maternity and child welfare clinics are provided in the area.

Laboratory facilities.

The Clinical Research Association Ltd., continued to carry out all pathological and bacteriological examinations on behalf of the Council.

The following "Antigens" are available on application:-

1. Diphtheria Antitoxin.
2. Diphtheria Prophylactic Alum Precipitated Toxoid.
3. Streptococcus Antitoxin (Scarlatina).
4. Anti-Tetanic Serum.
5. Anti-Venimeux Serum.

Diphtheria Immunisation.

334 children were immunised and 224 re-immunised against Diphtheria during the year. It is estimated that approximately 43.5% and 86.4% respectively of children under five and between five and fifteen have been immunised.

Scabies.

Clinics are held as required at the Surrey County Council Welfare Centre. Valuable voluntary assistance is given by members of the British Red Cross Detachment (Surrey 14) both in connection with scabies and diphtheria immunisation.

Yours faithfully,

F. CHURCHILL DAVIDSON.

Medical Officer of Health.

REPORT OF THE CHIEF SANITARY INSPECTOR FOR THE YEAR 1949.

To the Chairman and Members of the
Frimley & Camberley Urban District Council.

Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

I have pleasure in submitting the following report relating to the work of the Department carried out during the year.

SANITARY CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE AREA.

WATER - Sources of Supply.

Water is supplied for the whole of the Urban District by the Mid-Wessex Water Company, which covers an area of some 272 square miles in parts of Surrey, Hants. and Berks..

The supply is obtained from the Company's deep wells in the chalk at Greywell, near Odiham, and at Itchell, near Crondall, together with the pumping stations at Frimley and the station at Beenham's Heath, near Wokingham.

Treatment.

The Frimley water has a total hardness of 5.5 grains per gallon, and is subject to treatment by aeration, sand filtration and chlorination before being pumped into supply. The Company are required by statute to reduce the hardness of water supplied to a limit of 12 grains per gallon, and in view of this condition the supplies of water from Itchell, Greywell and Beenham's Heath which have a total hardness of 19.5 grains per gallon, are subjected to treatment by lime process in addition to filtration and chlorination.

Purity of Supply.

All sources are practically sterile in the raw state before treatment, but a precautionary dose of chlorine is introduced into the normal process of treatment in conformity with modern waterworks practice.

Samples of water from the high and low level mains in the District have shown a consistantly high standard of organic and bacteriological purity.

(I have pleasure in achowledging the information relating to the supply and treatment of water by the Chief Engineer of the Mid-Wessex Water Company).

PUBLIC CLEANSING AND SALVAGE.

Difficulty in maintaining a regular collection of house and trade refuse referred to in my last report continued throughout the year due to the shortage of suitable labour. The delay was minimised by the introduction of a larger type vehicle on one part of the District and also by complete reorganisation of the routes of all freighters.

The main item of note which occurred in relation to salvage was the removal by the Board of Trade of the compulsory direction to local authorities in respect of waste paper collection; this was followed by a substantial fall in ruling prices but, unlike many other authorities, the Council was able to continue to dispose of all paper collected and the scheme was continued with a result that both the tonnage and income were the highest recorded in the District.

The following salvaged materials were sold during the financial year ended 31st March, 1950:-

	Tons.	Cwts.	Qrs.	lbs.	£	s	d.
Mixed Paper	310	10	3	0	2,051	9	11
Bones	1	11	1	0	8	19	10
Textiles.	21	2	0	27	203	18	10
Non-Ferrous Metals. .	1	0	1	0	30	0	9
Ferrous Scrap	5	1	1	0	7	6	11
Bottles and Jars. . .	4	13	0	0	8	19	8
Miscellaneous	7	0	0	19	15	0	3
	350	18	3	18	£2,325	16	2

In addition to the sum shown for waste paper, £212.19.0 was received from the Board of Trade in respect of "Increased Collection" bonus.

INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION OF FOOD.

MILK SUPPLY.

The district is not regarded as a milk producing area owing to the shortage of suitable pasture. The production of milk at Dairy Farms is now partially under the supervision of the Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries under the provisions of the Food and Drugs (Milk and Dairies) Act, 1944.
The greater proportion of milk consumed in the area continues to be obtained outside the district from the larger wholesale dairying concerns.

The supply of designated milk to the public continues to increase. In addition the supply of milk to schools is either Pasteurised or Tuberculin Tested.

The number of milk producers and retailers operating in the Urban District are set out in the following table:-

No. of Registered Cowkeepers.	16
,, Registered Retail Purveyors.	16
,, Retail Purveyors operating from outside the area.	6
Licensed to Bottle Tuberculin Tested Milk .	2
,, Retail ,, ,, . .	11
,, Pasteurise Milk	1
,, Retail Pasteurised Milk	8
Supplementary Licences to retail	
,, Tuberculin Tested Milk .	1
Pasteurised Milk	1

MILK SAMPLING.

Raw Milk.

53 samples of ordinary milk were submitted for bacteriological examination; of these 48 were satisfactory.

Pasteurised Milk.

62 samples of Pasteurised Milk were submitted to the Phosphatase Test, 56 of these were found to be satisfactory and six failed to pass the prescribed test.

Tuberculin Tested Milk.

7 samples of Tuberculin Tested Milk were submitted for Bacteriological examination and were satisfactory.

Biological Examination of Milk.

During the year 42 samples of milk were submitted to a biological examination for the detection of the presence of tubercle bacilli; in 41 cases a negative result was obtained.

A positive report indicating the presence of Tubercle Bacilli after biological examination was received in respect of one farm.

Immediate action was taken and in association with the Veterinary Investigation Department of the Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries it was found possible to isolate the infected cow for slaughter under the provision of the Tuberculosis Order, 1938. Subsequent samples of the milk from the herd were certified to be NON-Tuberculous.

Cleansing and Sterilising Equipment etc..

Improvements have been carried out at 3 dairy premises in the district, including the provision of new impervious walls and flooring, drainage, installation of modern equipment for sterilising, and enlargement of refrigeration stores.

Thirteen milk bottles have been submitted for bacteriological examination.

The Milk (Special Designation)(Pasteurised and Sterilised) Regulations, 1949.

The Transfer to the County Council from County District Authorities who are not Food and Drugs Authorities of licensing functions in respect of pasteurising establishments and the entrusting to the County Council of similar functions in relation to 'Sterilising' establishments, a new special designation came into effect on the 1st October, 1949.

By arrangement between the District Council and the Surrey County Council the Chief Sanitary Inspector was appointed to administer the provisions of these Regulations within the administrative area of the Frimley & Camberley Urban District Council.

MEAT AND OTHER FOODS.

The Department works in close association with the Ministry of Food, Ministry of Agriculture & Fisheries and Milk Marketing Board, and acts in an advisory capacity on any complaints received by the Ministry of Food pertaining to the quality and fitness of milk supplies; and also on all matters relating to the examination and fitness of food for human consumption.

169 Inspections have been made to examine food during the year, and the following commodities were condemned:-

FISH.

18 st. 9 lbs. 10 oz. Kippers.
10¼ stone Cod Roes.
3½ stone Skate.
55¾ lbs. Crab.
13 tins Salmon.
5 tins Sardines.
1 tin Brisling.
4 tins Crawfish.
3 tins Herring in Tomato.
1 tin Herring Roes.
10 tins Pilchards.
1 tin Snoek.
5 tins Cod Roes.
1 tin Anchovy Fillets.
4 tins Sild.
2 tins Shrimps.

MEAT.

84½ lbs. Imported Meat.
37½ lbs. Home-killed Beef.
24 lbs.14 oz. English Mutton.
39½ lbs. Bacon.
130 lbs. Argentine liver.
13 lbs. English Ox liver.
6 lbs. Ox tongues.
11 lbs. Tripe.
38 lbs. Imported Rabbit.
184¾ lbs. Corned Beef.
41½ lbs. Pork Brawn.
4 lbs. Dutch Brawn.
3½ lbs. Danish Pork.
10¾ lbs. Luncheon Meat.
4½ lbs. Minced Beef Loaf.
5¾ lbs. Veal Loaf.

MEAT (continued).

3 lbs. Ham Loaf.
7 tins Stewed Steak.
5 tins Pork Sausage.
4 tins Rabbit.
42 lbs. Chicken.
4 tins Meat Paste.
2 tins Meat & Gravy.

VEGETABLES, SWEETMEATS, ETC..

15 tins Soup.
3 tins Mixed Vegetables.
2 tins Potatoes.
2 tins Spinach.
4 tins Carrots.
18 tins Beetroot.
31 tins Peas.
7 tins Parsnips.
23 tins Beans.
7 tins Spaghetti.
18 tins Tomatoes.
162 tins Evaporated Milk.
32 tins Full Cream Milk.
11 tins Peaches.
1 tin Pears.
3 tins Apricots.
9 tins Plums.
2 tins Damsons.
5 tins Grapes.
3 tins Rhubarb.
6 tins Grapefruit.
1 tin Grapefruit Juice.
1 tin Prune Puree.
3 tins Orange Juice.
1 bottle Orange Squash.
2 tins Apple Juice.

VEGETABLES, SWEETMEATS, ETC.. (Continued).

2 tins Apple Sauce.
20 tins Tomato Juice.
2 tins Tomato Puree.
25 lbs. Dried Apricots.
3 tins Mincemeat.
35 tins Malted Food.
3 jars Piccalilli.
4 jars Pickled Onions.
9 jars Mixed Pickles.
1 pkt. Pastry Mixture.
42 pkts. Pudding Mixture.
3 tins Date Pudding.
1 tin Custard Pudding.
1 pkt. Beef Suet.
4 tins Dried Egg.
35½ lbs. Sweetmeats.

26 lbs. Chocolates.
28 lbs. Jam.
1 lb. Lemon Curd.
11 lbs. Marmalade.
4 lbs. Treacle.
1 jar Bovril.
1 jar Olives.
37 jars Salad Cream.
1 jar Chutney Sauce.
16 jars Sandwich Spread.
32½ lbs. Rice.
7 pkts. Processed Cheese.

7 lbs Cheese. *
38¾ lbs. Butter. *

* dealt with in accordance with Circular M.F.3/48.

There are no Government Slaughterhouses in the district although arrangements were made at the request of the Ministry of Food for one slaughterhouse in the district to be licensed by the Council for the slaughter of pigs. Details of all licences authorising the slaughter of pigs are notified by the Ministry for the information of the Department.

An outbreak of Typhoid Fever occurred in a neighbouring district during the year, one case arising in this district was traced to the same source in infection. By arrangement the Council made available the services of the Chief Sanitary Inspector to the neighbouring Authority during the outbreak.

No cases of food poisoning were notified during the year.

Improvements continue to be made in the standard of food hygiene throughout the District.

All food premises including butchers' shops, provision stores, fish shops, bakehouses, restaurants and snack bars are under constant supervision, where improvement of the premises has involved licensing restrictions the Department has supported the case with the Ministry for the necessary permit.

During the year a meeting of Sanitary Inspectors representing the contiguous Authorities on the County boundaries of Hampshire and Surrey met to discuss the uniformity of sanitary accommodation and washing facilities at licensed premises. The final report and recommendations were circulated to all Brewers owning Public Houses in the respective areas.

The following foodstuffs were submitted for detailed analysis, the results and commodities in question were as follows:-

Chocolates.	(Satisfactory).
Evaporated Milk.	(Satisfactory).
Cheese.	(Unsaleable owing to bacterial growth.).
Corned Beef.	(Unsaleable owing to bacterial growth).

Manufacture and Sale of Ice Cream.

There are now 50 premises registered in the district; 4 of these are licensed to manufacture and 46 are licensed to retail prepacked ice cream. All premises and vehicles used in connection with this trade have been kept under constant supervision and a close liaison exists between those Local Authorities in whose area the manufactured commodity is produced.

The Council has been exacting in their requirements concerning the suitability of premises proposed for use in the manufacture and retail of Ice Cream.

Samples of Ice Cream have been taken from the various manufacturers and retailers, the results of analysis being as follows:-

Grade 1 - 13
Grade 2 - 27
Grade 3 - 17
Grade 4 - 2

FOOD AND DRUGS ACT, 1938.

Return of Samples taken in the District by the Surrey County Council and analysed during 1949.

Articles.	Analysed.			Adulterated or Irregular.			Prosecutions.	Convictions.
	Formal.	Informal.	Total	Formal.	Informal.	Total.		
Milk	75	3	78	10	-	10	1	1
Chocolate, drinking. .	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-
Confectionery.	-	1	1	-	1	1	-	-
Custard powder	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-
Dessert powder	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
Honey.	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-
Ice Cream.	4	-	4	-	-	-	-	-
Meat pie	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
Non-alcoholic wines. .	3	-	3	2	-	2	2	2
Saccharin tablets. . .	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-
Salad cream, dressing and mayonnaise . . .	1	4	5	-	1	1	-	-
Sausages	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
Sausage Meat	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
Yoghourt	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
Totals.	88	12	100	12	2	14	3	3

VERMIN INFESTATION CONTROL.

Rodent Destruction.

The Council has continued to adminster the provisions of the Rats and Mice (Destruction) Act, 1919 and has continued to make available a specialised and free service to occupiers of dwellings. Charges are made in respect of similar services provided at Commercial and Industrial Premises.

During the year 306 premises were treated for rat and mice infestations and as a result of this work 2,771 rats were destroyed.

A survey of the Council's sewers was carried out in the months of March, July and September at the request of the Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries. During the test 70 manholes were baited and resulted in "takes" at 3 points, which may be regarded as a very satisfactory result.

The Chairman of the Public Health Committee of Frimley and Camberley and your Chief Sanitary Inspector have continued to serve as Chairman and Honorary Secretary of the Surrey No. 1 Workable Area Committee which comprises the following Local Authorities:-

Frimley & Camberley Urban District Council.
Egham Urban District Council.
Walton & Weybridge Urban District Council.
Bagshot Rural District Council.
Surrey County Council.
Surrey County Agricultural Executive Committee.
Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries.

Other Vermin.

Four premises were dealt with for bug and flea infestations. Bedding, clothing and other soft-furnishings were dealt with by steam disinfection. A repeat treatment of fumigation is carried out as a routine after 21 days, with most satisfactory results.

Nine properties have been treated for the following infestations:-

Lice . . .	2
Beetles. .	1
Ants . . .	2
Flies. . .	4

Wasps and Hornets have given rise to a certain amount of trouble during the season. This work is not the responsibility of the Department; there have been, however, many occasions when residents have appealed for assistance in dealing with this menace, particularly where nests have been built under the floors, or in cavity walls and roofs of dwellings. All work in connection with these matters is carried out on a rechargeable basis. Forty-seven nests were destroyed.

Mosquito Control.

Watercourses, ditches and ponds in the District, where mosquitoes are known to be breeding, are sprayed at regular intervals during the season as a routine treatment.

The House Longhorn Beetle.

The investigation of this particular problem has continued and the closest liaison is being maintained with Dr. Fisher of the Forest Products Research Laboratory, Princes Risborough.

Further conferences have been held with representatives of the Ministry of Health, Dr. R.C. Fisher (Scientific Research Laboratory) and the Chief Sanitary Inspector. Whilst there are no similar investigations being carried out by other local authorities as far as is known, there is substantial information now in possession of the Scientific Research Laboratory to prove the existence of this particular type of wood borer in many other areas in the country.

Surveys of buildings in the District are made on request, advice is given to Architects, Estate Agents, Householders etc. free of charge.

BURIAL OF THE DEAD.

One funeral was arranged under the provisions of Ministry of Health Circular 13/49 during the year.

Petroleum (Regulations) Acts, 1928 - 1936.

Thirty-seven licences were issued during the year, sanctioning the storage of petroleum spirit or petroleum mixtures in the form of cellulose.

Storage for bulk supplies of petroleum spirit is provided in underground steel tanks varying in capacity from 250 to 2,000 gallons. Cellulose paint spraying mixtures are stored in metal containers of one to five gallon capacity - bulk supplies of these commodities are kept in brick, metal or other approved fireproof structures.

Total fees received for licences £25.12.6.

B.J.D. WARREN.

Chief Sanitary Inspector.

SANITARY INSPECTION OF THE AREA.

	Inspections.
HOUSING:-	
Inspections re Housing Defects	753
,, under Housing Acts	5
,, ,, ,, ,, re overcrowding.	8
VERMINOUS PREMISES.	
Houses inspected	10
,, disinfested	10
No. of dirty premises.	2
Other pests.	51
NOTICES SERVED.	
No. of informal notices served	98
,, ,, ,, complied with.	90
,, statutory ,, served	5
,, ,,, ,, complied with.	4
,, Court proceedings	-
INFECTIOUS DISEASES.	
Inquiries in cases of Infectious Disease . . .	52
Visits re disinfection	40
Miscellaneous Infectious Disease visits. . . .	165
GENERAL SANITATION.	
Inspection re complaints	444
Water supplies	11
Watercourses	10
Stables.	3
Piggeries.	111
Fried Fish Shops, Fishmongers.	40
Dairies and Milk Shops	188
Cowsheds	32
Butcher Shops.	114
Provision Stores,Restaurants,Cafes,etc.. . . .	203
Food Inspections	169
Bakehouses	34
Moveable dwellings	26
Factories.	62
Theatres	11
Refuse collection,disposal and salvage	700
Schools.	15
Petroleum Inspections.	52
Public Conveniences.	255
Rats and Mice Destruction.	346
Diphtheria Immunisation.	21
Mortuary	14
Burials (under National Assistance Act,1948) .	1
Survey - House Longhorn Beetle	275
Ambulance.	10
Disinfestation	147
Miscellaneous.	589

FACTORIES ACTS, 1937 and 1948.

PART I OF THE ACF.

1.- INSPECTIONS for the purposes of provisions as to health

Premises.	No. on Register.	Number of Inspections	Number of Written notices	Number of Occupiers prosecuted.
(i) Factories in which Sect.1,2,3,4 & 6 are to be enforced by Local Authorities	90	62	8	Nil
(ii) Factories not included in (i) in which Sect.7 is enforced by the Local Authority.	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
(iii) Other Premises in which Sect.7 is enforced by L.A. (excl.out-workers' premises)	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
TOTAL. . . .	90	62	8	Nil

2.- CASES IN WHICH DEFECTS WERE FOUND.

Particulars.	No.of cases in which defects were found. Found.	Remedied.	Referred To H.M. Inspector.	Referred By H.M. Inspector.	No.of cases in which prosecutions were instituted
Want of cleanliness (S.1). .	3	3	-	-	-
Overcrowding (S.2)	-	-	-	-	-
Unreasonable temperature (S.3)	2	2	-	2	-
Inadequate ventilation (S.4)	-	-	-	-	-
Ineffective drainage of floors (S.6) . . .	1	1	-	-	-
Sanitary Conveniences (S.7)					
(a) insufficient	2	1	-	2	-
(b) unsuitable or defective	-	-	-	-	-
(c) not separate for sexes	-	-	-	-	-
Other offences against the Act (not including offences relating to Outwork)	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	8	7	-	4	Nil